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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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R. SAITO, et al.

Application No.:

10/807,272

Filed:

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For:

SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND METHOD OF

OPERATION THEREOF

Art Unit:

2818

Examiner:

Trong Q. Phan

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 February 23, 2005

Sir:

Appreciation is expressed to Examiner Trong Phan for his courtesy and helpfulness during a telephone interview conducted on February 22, 2005 regarding the above matter.

During the course of the telephone interview, the undersigned attorney noted a receipt of a Notice of Allowance and Fees Due in this matter, dated January 12, 2005. Appreciation is expressed to the Examiner for the Notice of Allowance.

However, as discussed during the interview, it is noted that the Notice of Allowability which accompanied the Notice of Allowance indicated only that the communication was responsive to the Amendment filed on December 9, 2004, and that the allowed claims were claims 1-15. However, it is noted that a Supplemental Amendment had been filed on December 17, 2004, adding new claims 18-24. This Supplemental Amendment was filed approximately one week after the original December 9, 2004 Amendment, and substantially before the Notice of Allowance,

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which was mailed on January 12, 2005. In reviewing this matter, Examiner Phan

advised the undersigned attorney that the December 17, 2004 Amendment, had, in

fact, been entered and considered, and that the Notice of Allowability should have

indicated this. In addition, Examiner Phan advised the undersigned attorney that a

new Notice of Allowability would be mailed indicating the consideration of the

December 17, 2004 Amendment, as well as the allowance of the new claims 18-24.

Appreciation is expressed to Examiner Phan for his courtesy and helpfulness

in this matter. If there are any additional matters which need to be discussed, the

Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the number

indicated below.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37

CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of

this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus,

LLP Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 503.30370CC8), and please credit

any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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